

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

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The Honorable John L. McLucas
Secretary of the Air Force
The Pentagon

Dear Dr. McLucas:

Following our telephone conversation ^{last month,} ~~a few days ago,~~ I have re-examined with General Graham our requirements for [redacted] services. He has continued to make a valuable contribution to our study of the intelligence warning problem. General Graham expects that he will play a key role as we move to improve community procedures and mechanisms in the warning arena.

You will recall that [redacted] was detailed to the Intelligence Community Staff for a period of nine to twelve months, effective 1 August 1973. It is my understanding ~~you now desire to move promptly to obtain a temporary replacement for [redacted] until the summer of 1975, and that his return to the Air Force would be postponed until that time. We welcome such an arrangement which would appear to meet the requirements of both the Air Force and the Intelligence Community Staff as well as protect [redacted] career interests.~~

Again, I wish to express my appreciation for your assistance and support of the Intelligence Community Staff.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby

That the Air Force is ~~agreed~~ willing to extend [redacted] detail to ~~the IC Staff~~ until the summer of 1975. In view of his value to our ongoing effort to improve crisis management ~~arrangement.~~